



# SC Annual School District Report Card Summary

**Florence 5 School District**  
**Grades: PK-12** **Enrollment: 1,503**  
**Superintendent: John Morris**  
**Board Chair: Brad Hooks**

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	Below Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	NI
2008	Average	Good	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	Below Average	N/A	N/A	Not Met	N/A

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	4	20	0

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Districts with Students Like Ours are Districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

## PASS

PASS	2009 Reading	2009 Math	2009 Science	2009 Social Studies	2009 Writing
	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above
District	69.7%	71.9%	62.7%	70.7%	62.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	72.8%	70.0%	65.9%	70.3%	68.8%
Average District	73.6%	70.5%	67.4%	72.2%	70.2%

PASS	2009 Reading	2009 Math	2009 Science	2009 Social Studies	2009 Writing
	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary	% Exemplary
District	30.9%	29.4%	12.1%	23.8%	17.2%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	33.5%	27.5%	17.3%	26.0%	27.6%
Average District	35.2%	28.8%	18.8%	28.5%	29.8%

## HSAP

HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests (%)	Passed 1 Subtest (%)	Passed No Subtests (%)
District	81.0%	13.0%	6.0%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	74.6%	13.2%	12.2%

## HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2009 (%)

District	95.2%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	93.3%

## End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	67.9
Districts with Students Like Ours**	57.6

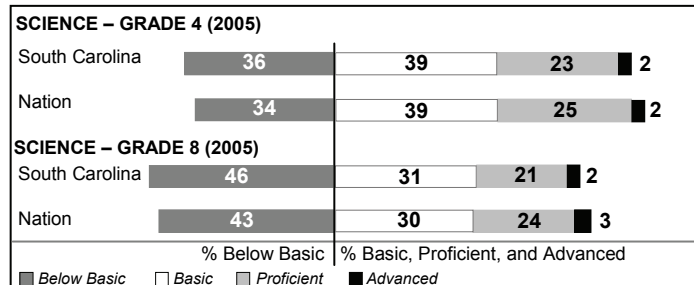
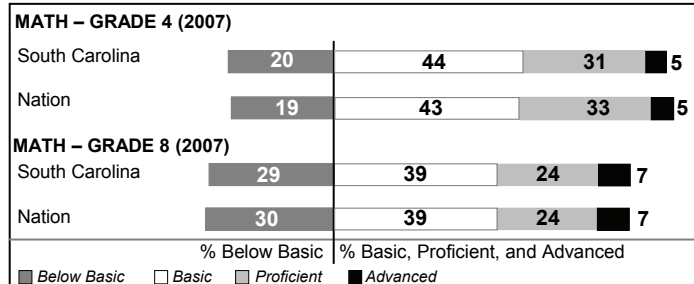
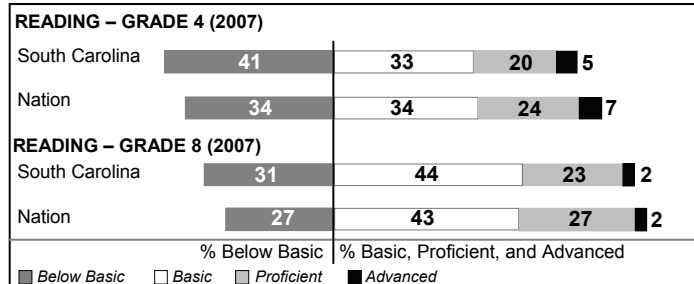
## On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

District	83.1%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	74.8%

\*\* Districts with Students Like Ours are districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

## NAEP\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



## SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

### 2010 Goal:

*By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.*

### 2020 Vision:

*By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.*

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## DISTRICT PROFILE

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
<b>Students (n=1,503)</b>				
Retention rate	4.0%	Down from 4.9%	3.1%	3.1%
Attendance rate	96.1%	Up from 95.9%	95.6%	95.7%
Eligible for gifted and talented	13.2%	Down from 14.9%	12.6%	11.2%
With disabilities other than speech	14.1%	Down from 15.6%	11.1%	10.6%
Older than usual for grade	7.3%	Down from 7.7%	4.3%	4.3%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.4%	Up from 0.1%	0.6%	0.5%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	17.6%	Down from 25.1%	8.7%	10.5%
Successful on AP/IB exams	66.7%	Up from 58.5%	53.4%	51.2%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	28.0%	Down from 29.3%	29.6%	30.8%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	9	Up from 1	48	40
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	4	Up from 1	38	30
Annual dropout rate	4.0%	Up from 3.1%	4.0%	3.4%
<b>Teachers (n=102)</b>				
Teachers with advanced degrees	62.7%	Down from 64.4%	58.2%	56.8%
Continuing contract teachers	78.4%	Up from 74.0%	78.7%	76.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	4.0%	Up from 3.1%	4.0%	4.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	90.5%	Down from 90.9%	90.0%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.3%	Up from 94.9%	95.2%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,154	Up 2.8%	\$46,992	\$46,992
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.0%	No Change	0.3%	0.4%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	1.6%	2.3%
Professional development days/teacher	16.5 days	Down from 22.1 days	13.0 days	13.1 days
<b>District</b>				
Superintendent's years at district	0.5	Down from 6.5	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.2 to 1	Up from 19.4 to 1	20.2 to 1	20.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.5%	Up from 87.0%	89.8%	89.8%
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$9,627	Up 9.4%	\$9,036	\$9,279
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	47.7%	Down from 49.0%	53.6%	52.7%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	50.0%	Down from 51.1%	56.8%	56.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	3	No Change	10	9
Portable classrooms	5.1%	Up from 4.3%	3.4%	3.5%
Average age in years of school facilities	30 Years	Up from 29 Years	28 Years	28 Years
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	3.0	No Change	10.0	8.0
Parents attending conferences	98.4%	Up from 96.8%	95.0%	93.9%
Average administrator salary	\$77,021	Up 2.2%	\$78,931	\$79,261
Number of charter schools	0	No Change	0	0
% of AYP objectives met	81.0%	Up from 71.4%	86.0%	85.7%

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
There are no charter schools in this district.			

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## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

A journey of a thousand miles begins with one step. The journey of academic excellence is one that is taken seriously in Florence County School District Five. Although we have been on this journey for quite some time, we still have miles to go in this never-ending task of educating our children.

I am very proud of the academic success our schools have experienced. With the accountability laws, we must strive to reach new and enduring levels of excellence. We welcome the challenges with excitement and anticipation of great achievement. We know that we can and will excel as our students embark into this new era.

The report card will offer our community access to the important data relative to the Florence 5 school district. We are available to discuss your comments or concerns about this report, and we invite you to visit our schools.

Much progress has been made due to the commitment and support of board members, teachers, other district employees, students, parents, and citizens of the Johnsonville area. The future is bright, and we must continue to strive for excellence. Resources are limited, but our commitment to providing quality educational opportunities for all students is unlimited. Our challenge is to continue to be "The Pride of the Pee Dee."

A. Dale Strickland, Ed.D.

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